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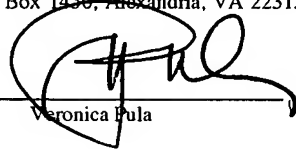
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Application No.:	10/045,503	Art Unit:	3639
Filed:	November 7, 2001	Docket No.:	ARIBP051
Title:	METHOD FOR SELECTING AN OPTIMAL BALANCE BETWEEN DIRECT COST AND A NUMBER OF SUPPLIERS		

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**PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR PATENT  
ABANDONED UNINTENTIONALLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(b)**

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Sir:

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to file a timely and proper reply to a notice or action by the United States Patent and Trademark Office. The date of abandonment is the day after the expiration date of the period set for reply in the Office notice or action plus an extension of time actually obtained.

**APPLICANT HEREBY PETITIONS FOR REVIVAL OF THIS APPLICATION**

1. Petition Fee

☐ Small Entity

☒ Large Entity

☒ Enclosed is Check No. 3064 in the amount of \$1500.00.

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2. Reply and/or fee

A. The reply and/or fee to the above-noted Office action in the form of Amendment C.

- ☐ has been filed.  
☒ is enclosed herewith.

B. The issue fee of \$.

- ☐ has been paid previously on \_\_\_\_\_.  
☐ is enclosed herewith.

3. Terminal disclaimer with disclaimer fee

☒ Since this utility/plant application was filed on or after June 8, 1995, no terminal disclaimer is required.

☐ A terminal disclaimer (and disclaimer fee (37 CFR 1.20 (d)) of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ )  
disclaiming the required period of time is enclosed herewith.

4. STATEMENT: The entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the required reply until the filing of a grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional.

Enclosures: ☒ Fee Payment

☒ Reply

☐ Terminal Disclaimer Form

☐ Additional sheets containing statements establishing unintentional delay.

☒ Other: Amendment C Transmittal.

Respectfully submitted,



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